





# BI-ANNUAL CATTLE REVIEW

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# WELCOME to the inaugural issue of the *Annual Cattle Review!* First, I thank all participants from the cattle industry for their continued support and cooperation — especially the producers who provide data for the January *Cattle* and monthly *Cattle on Feed* surveys. Without their commitment and participation, this report would not be possible.

This publication is a compilation of related reports issued by USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) in an effort to provide a complete source of statistics relevant to the cattle industry.

Though many of the statistics in this publication can be accessed through our website on a monthly basis (<a href="www.nass.usda.gov/Publications">www.nass.usda.gov/Publications</a>), this Oklahoma Field Office summary will be issued each January following the release of the USDA-NASS Cattle report.

Please feel free to contact our office with any comments or questions you may have. I hope you find this information useful!

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### OKLAHOMA AND U.S. INVENTORY

Oklahoma's January 1, 2010 inventory of all cattle and calves, at 5.45 million head, was up one percent from the January 1, 2009 inventory. All cows and heifers that had calved, at 2.13 million head, were up slightly and bulls, at 150 thousand head, were also up from January 1, 2009. All heifers over 500 pounds, at 960 thousand head, were down 4 percent from last year. Steers over 500 pounds, at 1.21 million head, were up 4 percent from January 1, 2009.

The 2009 **calf crop**, at 1.90 million head, was up 1 percent from the previous year.

Calves, other heifers and steers grazing on small grain pasture in Oklahoma, Kansas and Texas totaled 1.92 million head, up 16 percent from a year earlier.

# Cattle and Calves: Inventory by Classes, Oklahoma and United States, January 1, 2009-2010<sup>1</sup>

Class	Oklahoma			United States			
	2009	2010	2010 as Percent of 2009	2009	2010	2010 as Percent of 2009	
	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Percent	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Percent	
All Cattle and Calves	5,400	5,450	101	94,521	93,701	99	
Cows that have Calved	2,100	2,130	101	41,045	40,456	99	
Beef Cows	2,038	2,073	102	31,712	31,376	99	
Milk Cows	62	57	92	9,333	9,081	97	
Heifers 500 Lbs. and Over	1,000	960	96	19,576	19,666	100	
For Beef Cow Replacement	390	405	104	5,531	5,436	98	
For Milk Cow Replacement	30	25	83	4,410	4,516	102	
Other Heifers	580	530	91	9,635	9,714	101	
Steers 500 Lbs. and Over	1,160	1,210	104	16,769	16,440	98	
Bulls 500 Lbs. and Over	140	150	107	2,184	2,190	100	
Calves Under 500 Lbs.	1,000	1,000	100	14,948	14,949	100	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Totals may not add due to rounding

### Calf Crop, Oklahoma and United States, 2008-2009

	Oklahoma			United States		
	2008	2009	2009 as Percent of 2008	2008	2009	2009 as Percent of 2008
	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Percent	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Percent
Calf Crop	1,880	1,900	101	36,153	35,819	99

Data Source: USDA-NASS January Cattle report

In 2008, Oklahoma cattle operations produced over 2 billion pounds of beef. Cash receipts exceeded 2.4 billion dollars. The next annual Meat Animal Production, Disposition, and **Income** report will be released April 29, 2010.

The 2008 report of Farms, Land in Farms, and Livestock Operations reported 55,000 cattle operations in Oklahoma, of which 47,000 have beef cows, based upon 2007 data.

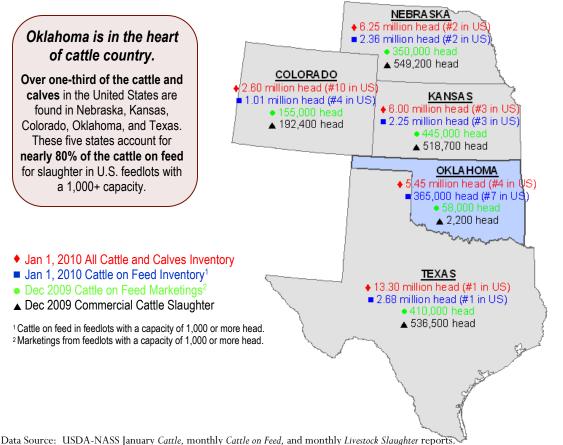
The semi-annual report of U.S. and Canadian Cattle **Inventory** showed 116.6 million head on July 1, 2009. All cows and heifers having calved was 47.0 million head. Both were down 2 percent from the previous year.

### MAJOR U.S. CATTLE STATES

# Oklahoma is in the heart of cattle country. Over one-third of the cattle and

calves in the United States are found in Nebraska, Kansas, Colorado, Oklahoma, and Texas. These five states account for nearly 80% of the cattle on feed for slaughter in U.S. feedlots with a 1,000+ capacity.

- Jan 1, 2010 All Cattle and Calves Inventory
- Jan 1, 2010 Cattle on Feed Inventory¹
- Dec 2009 Cattle on Feed Marketings<sup>2</sup>
- ▲ Dec 2009 Commercial Cattle Slaughter
- <sup>1</sup> Cattle on feed in feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head.
- <sup>2</sup> Marketings from feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head.

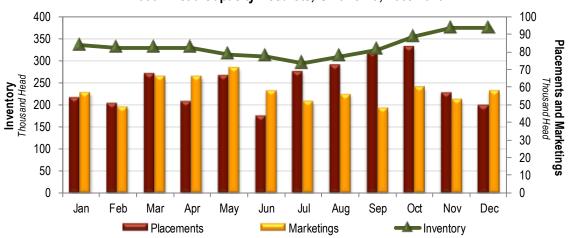


### CATTLE ON FEED

Data Source: USDA-NASS monthly Cattle on Feed report

January 1, 2010 Cattle on Feed inventory for Oklahoma numbered 365 thousand head in feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head, down 3 percent from the previous month but up 9 percent from January 1, 2009. Placements during December were 50,000, 2 percent above a year ago. Marketings of fed cattle during December were 58,000, up 26 percent from the same month last year. Other disappearance during December totaled 2,000 head.

### Cattle on Feed: Inventory, Placements, and Marketings, 1000+ Head Capacity Feedlots, Oklahoma, 2009-2010

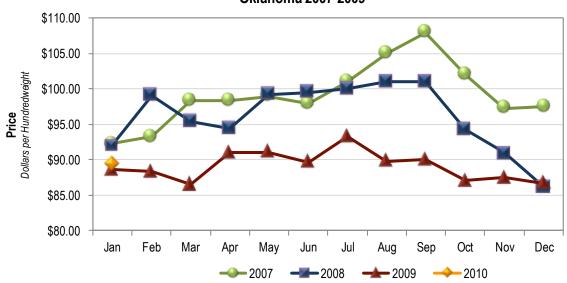


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### MONTHLY PRICES

December 2009 average monthly price for Oklahoma's cattle weighing greater than 500 lbs was \$86.70 per cwt, while the average at mid-January was \$89.40 per cwt. Steer and heifer prices moved from \$92.30 per cwt to \$94.60 per cwt for the same period. Cow price was calculated at \$45.80 for December and \$49.00 for mid-January.

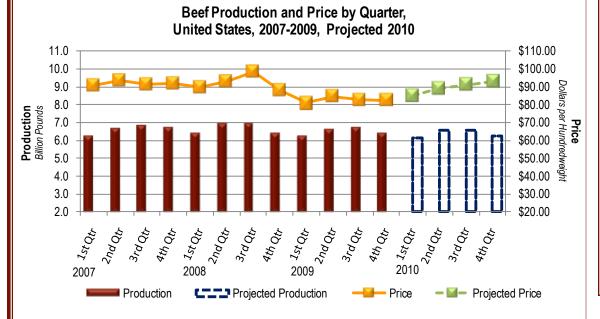




Data Source: USDA-NASS monthly Agricultural Prices report

### PRODUCTION AND PRICE OUTLOOK

**Beef production** is reduced slightly from last month as cattle weights in the first quarter are expected to be lower. Beef export forecasts for 2009 and 2010 are raised on expected economic recovery in a number of markets. Cattle price forecasts are reduced for 2009 and 2010 as relatively weak demand



Data Source: USDA-WAOB monthly World Agriculture Supply and Demand Estimates report

As of December 31, there were 430 million pounds of frozen beef in U.S. cold storage. Boneless beef made up 87 percent of the total. This includes ground beef, steaks, loins, strips, roasts, rounds, and trimmings. The Cold Storage report is released around the 22nd of each month.

Cattle and calves are Oklahoma's #1 commodity, based on value of production.

The 23 major milk states, which excludes Oklahoma, produced 14.6 billion pounds of milk during December 2009. Per cow production amounted to 1,758 pounds for the month. The monthly Milk Report is issued around the 18th of each month.

TO OKLAHOMA CATTLE PRODUCERS: This report contains results collected from the bi-annual Cattle and monthly Cattle on Feed surveys. Your operation, large or small, represents Oklahoma agriculture. We appreciate your assistance in providing timely and accurate data. Thank you for your support.

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- Livestock Reports

Crop Reports

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